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Items for consideration by the Fifth Committee during the main part of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Programme of work

Note by the Secretariat

At its third meeting, held on 3 October 2001, the Fifth Committee approved the programme of work for the main part of the fifty-sixth session, proposed by the Bureau, as set out below, on the understanding that adjustments would be made during the course of the session as deemed necessary.

The following items will be considered by the Fifth Committee during the main part of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly:

Item 12 Report of the Economic and Social Council.

Item 17 Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission.

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Item 120 Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors:

(b) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Item 121 Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

Item 122 Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001.

Item 123 Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003.

Item 124 Pattern of conferences.

Item 125 Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations.

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Item 130 Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services.

Item 131 Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991.

Item 132 Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994.

Item 133 Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations:

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations.

Item 134 Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East:

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

Item 136 Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor.

Item 137 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

Item 141 Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone.

Item 158 Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Date		*Programme*	*Documentation*
Week of 8- 12 October			
Monday, 8 October			
10:00 a.m.	**Item 128**	**Joint Inspection Unit**	Report of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/56/34 and Corr.1)
			Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the work programme of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2001 and the preliminary listing of potential reports for 2002 and beyond (A/56/84)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/56/135)
			Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the experience with the follow-up system of the JIU reports and recommendations (A/56/356)
		Introduction and general discussion	
	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	
	Item 128	**Joint Inspection Unit**	
		Private management consulting firms	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on policies and practices in the use of the services of private management consulting firms in the organizations of the United Nations system (A/54/702)
			Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on policies and practices in the use of the services of private management consulting firms in the organizations of the United Nations system (A/55/979)
		Common services at Geneva (Part II)	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the United Nations system common services at Geneva, part II: Case studies (A/ 55/856)

			Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the United Nations system common services at Geneva, part II: Case studies (A/55/856/Add.1)
			Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7, Chapt. I, Section E, 14, para. 124)
			Report of the Secretary-General on steps taken to enhance common services (A/56/417)
		Management of buildings	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management of buildings: practices of selected United Nations system organizations relevant to the renovation of the United Nations Headquarters (A/56/274)
			Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management of buildings: practices of selected United Nations system organizations relevant to the renovation of the United Nations Headquarters (A/56/274/Add.1)
		Introduction and general discussion	
	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	Proposed regulations for officials other than Secretariat officials (A/56/437)
3:00 p.m.		**NO MEETING**	
Tuesday, 9 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 128**	**Joint Inspection Unit**	Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
		Conclusion of general discussion	
	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	
	Item 128	**Joint Inspection Unit**	
		Private management consulting firms Common services at Geneva (Part II) Management of buildings	
		Conclusion of general discussion	

	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed regulations governing the status, basic rights and duties of officials other than secretariat officials and experts on mission, in particular those who are elected by the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs (A/55/928)
Wednesday, 10 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 129**	**Improving the financial situation of the United Nations**	Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Management
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 121	**Review of efficiency**	
	Item 128	**Joint Inspection Unit**	
		Management of buildings	
Thursday, 11 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 122**	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
		Visitors' experience	Report of the Secretary-General on proposal for enhancing the United Nations experience for visitors (A/55/835)
			Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7) Chap. I, Sect. E. 8, paras. 103-113
		Information technology strategy	Report of the Secretary-General on information technology in the Secretariat: a plan of action (A/55/780)
			Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7) Chap. I, Sect. E. 8, paras. 103-113
		Introduction and general discussion	

		Profitability of commercial activities	Report of the Secretary-General on the profitability of commercial activities of the United Nations (A/55/546) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7) Chap. I, Sect. E. 8, paras. 103-113
		Honoraria	Note by the Secretariat on a comprehensive study of the question of honorariums payable to members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations (A/56/311)
		Development account	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of projects financed from the Development Account (A/55/913) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7) Chap. I, Sect. E,8 paras 102-113
		Introduction and general discussion	
3:00 pm		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 121	**Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations**	
	Item 128	**Joint Inspection Unit**	
		Private management consulting firms Common services	
Friday, 12 October 10:00am		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 128	**Joint Inspection Unit**	
		Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	
3:00 p.m.		**No meeting**	

Week of 15-19 October			
Monday, 15 October 10:00 am	**Item 125**	**Scale of assessments**	Report of the Committee of Contributions (A/56/11 and Add.1)
		Introduction and general discussion	
	Item 122	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
		Visitors' experience Information technology strategy Profitability of commercial activities Honoraria Development account	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
3:00 p.m.	**Item 123**	**Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002–2003 (A/56/6 and fascicles 1-33 and income sections 1-3) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its forty-first session (A/56/16) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
		Address by the Secretary-General	
		General discussion	
Tuesday, 16 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 125**	**Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**	
		Continuation of general discussion	
3:00 pm.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 122	**Programme budget for 2000-2001**	
		Visitor's experience Information technology Profitability of commercial activities	
Wednesday, 17 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 129**	**Improving the financial situation of the United Nations**	
		General discussion	

3:00 p.m.	**Item 123**	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Continuation of general discussion	
Thursday, 18 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 125**	**Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
		Followed by informal consultations on:	
	Item 125	**Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 125	**Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**	
Friday, 19 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 123**	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Continuation of general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		**NO MEETING**	
Week of 22-26 October			
Monday, 22 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 120**	**Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors**	
		(b) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Report of the Board of Auditors on the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the year ended 31 December 2000 (A/56/5/Add.5)
		Implementation of its recommendations	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of Auditors on the implementation of its recommendations (A/56/132)
			Second report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium ended 31 December 1999 (A/56/66 and Add.1)

			Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/436)
		Introduction and general discussion	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 125	**Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations**	
Tuesday, 23 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 120**	**Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors**	
		(b) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Implementation of its recommendations	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
	Item 124	**Pattern of conferences**	Report of the Committee on Conferences (A/56/32)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the re-engineering of the optical disk system (A/56/120)
			Report of the Secretary-General on improved utilization of conference facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (A/56/133)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the use of remote interpretation (A/56/188)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the provision of interpretation services to meetings of regional and other major groups of Member States (A/56/213/and Corr.1)
			Report of the Secretary-General on language services recruitment-related issues (A/56/277)

Report of the Secretary-General on improved coordination and utilization of conference services in regard to the Economic and Social Council in Asia and the Pacific and the Economic Commission for Africa (A/56/293)

Report of the Secretary-General on the availability of documentation for the proper functioning of intergovernmental organs (A/56/299)

Report of the Secretary-General concerning the submission of documentation consistent with the six-week rule (A56/300)

Report of the Secretary-General regarding the implementation of recommendations regarding the United Nations Chronicle (A/56/339)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of its resolution 54/259 on United Nations publications: enhancing cost-effectiveness in implementing legislative mandates (A/56/__)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)

Report of the Secretary-General regarding the translation of non-parliamentary and public information material and providing those materials on the United Nations web site in all official languages (A/A.C.198/2001/8)

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3:00 p.m. *Informal consultations on:*

Item 125 **Scale of assessments**

Wednesday, 24 October 10:a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 120	**Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors**	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002 2003**	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/6 and Corr.1)
		Part I. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its forty-first session (A/56/16)
			Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
Thursday, 25 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 124**	**Pattern of conferences**	
		Continuation of general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		*To be determined*	
Friday, 26 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 124**	**Pattern of conferences**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
		Followed by informal consultations on:	
		To be determined	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002 2003**	
		Part II. Political affairs	

Week of 29 October – 2 November

Monday, 29 October

10:00 a.m.

Item 122 **Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**

Item 133 **Administrative and budgetary aspects of financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations**

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

Support account

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, including revised resources requirements for the support account for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002) (A/C.5/55/46 and Add.1)
Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)

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Item 126 **Human resources management**

Report of the Secretary-General on amendments to the Staff Rules (A/56/227)

Report of the Secretary-General on the composition of the Secretariat (A/56/__)

Report of the Secretary-General on the list of staff of the United Nations Secretariat (A/C.5/56/L..)

Note by the Secretary-General regarding details of obsolete and redundant rules and procedures and documentation being eliminated (A/C.5/56/3)

Consultants

Report of the Secretary-General on consultants and individuals contractors hired by the United Nations during 1999 (A/55/321)

Report of the Secretary-General on the hiring of retired staff (A/55/451)

		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "The use of consultants in the United Nations (A/55/59)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unite entitled "The use of consultants in the United Nations" (A/55/59/Add.1)
		Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
	Delegation of authority	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the JIU on the delegation of authority for management of human and financial resources in the United Nations (A/55/857)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the delegation of authority for management of human and financial resources in the United Nations (A/55/857/Add.1)
		Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
	Young professionals	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the JIU on young professionals in selected organizations of the United Nations system: recruitment, management and retention (A/55/798)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments of the JIU on young professionals in selected organizations of the United Nations system: recruitment, management and retention (A/55/798/Add.1)
		Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
	Introduction and general discussion	
3:00 p.m.	*Informal consultations on:*	
Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002 2003**	
	Part II. Political affairs	

Tuesday, 30 October 10:00 a.m.	**Item 122**	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**
	Item 133	**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations**
		Conclusion of general discussion
	Item 126	**Human resources management**
		Conclusion of general discussion
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 120	**Financial report and reports of the Board of Auditors**
Wednesday, 31 October 10:00 a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 122	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**
	Item 133	**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations**
		Comprehensive review of peacekeeping operations
		Support Account
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Part III: International justice and law
		Part IV: International cooperation for development
Thursday, 1 November 10:00 a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 126	**Human resources management**
		Delegation of authority Consultants Young professionals

3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part IV: International cooperation for development	
Friday, 2 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 17**	**Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments**	
		(a) Appointment of members of he Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	Note by the Secretary-General on vacancies (A/56/101)
			Nominations (A/C.5/56__)
		(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions	Note by the secretariat on vacancies (A/56/102)
			Nominations (A/C.5/56__)
		(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors	Note by the Secretary-General on vacancies (A/56/103)
			Nominations (A/C.5/56__)
		(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee	Note by the Secretary-General on vacancies (A/56/104)
			Nominations (A/C.5/56__)
		(f) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission	Note by the Secretary-General on vacancies (A/56/106)
			Nominations (A/C.5/56__)
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 124	**Pattern of conferences**	

Week of 5 –9 November			
Monday, 5 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 130**	**Reports of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services**	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001 (A/56/381) Note by the Secretary-General on the updated views on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes (A/56/__) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of UNHCR operations in Albania (A/56/128) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of the effectiveness of the Division of Administrative Services of the United Nations Office at Nairobi re: United Nations Environment Programme and Habitat (A/56/__) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of he Office of Internal Oversight Services on the inspection of programme management and administrative practices in the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (A/56/83) (Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/7)
		Introduction and general discussion followed by informal consultations on:	
	Item 126	**Human resources management**	
		Delegation of authority Young professionals Consultants	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part V: Regional cooperation for development	

Tuesday, 6 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 130**	**Reports of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
	Item 127	**United Nations common system**	Report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/56/30) Report of the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the ICSC (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
		Introduction and general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 122	**Proposed budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
	Item 133	**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of UN peacekeeping operations** Comprehensive review of peacekeeping operations Support account	
	Item 127	**United Nations common system**	
		Continuation of general discussion	
Wednesday, 7 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 122**	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
		Functioning of the UNCTAD Unit for landlocked developing countries and Small Island Developing States	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the UNCTAD secretariat on the effectiveness of the functioning of the Unit for landlocked developing countries and Small Islands Developing States (A/56/208) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
		Introduction of general discussion	

	Item 123	**Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Safety and security of UN personnel	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 55/238 (II) of 23 December 2000 entitled "Safety and security of United Nations personnel": Revised estimates under section 30, Special expenses of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/469) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__) Proposed programme budget for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT for the biennium 2002-2003 Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
		Introduction and general discussion followed by informal consultations on:	
	Item 130	**Reports of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services**	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part V: Regional cooperation for development	
Thursday, 8 November			
10:00 a.m.	**Item 122**	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
		Conclusion of general discussion	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Section 11B: ITC/UNCTAD/GATT Safety and security of United Nations personnel	
		Conclusion of general discussion	

		Followed by informal consultations on:	
	Item 130	**Reports of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services**	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 124	**Pattern of conferences**	
Friday, 9 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 127**	**United Nations common system**	
		Conclusion of general discussion followed by informal consultations on:	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part VI: Human rights and humanitarian affairs	
3:00 p.m.	**Item 123**	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part VI: Human rights and humanitarian affairs	
	Item 133	**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of UN peacekeeping operations**	
		Comprehensive review of peacekeeping operations Support account	
Week of 12-16 November		**No meeting scheduled**	
Week of 19-23 November			
Monday, 19 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 134**	**Financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations in the Middle East**	
		(b) United Nations Interim Forces in Lebanon	Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of UNIFIL for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/56/431) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

			(A/56/__)
	Item 136	**Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor**	Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for UNTAET for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
	Item 137	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea**	Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for UNMEE for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
	Item 141	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone**	Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for UNAMSIL for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
	Item 158	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**	Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for MONUC for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
		Introduction and general discussion	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part VII: Public information	
Tuesday, 20 November 10:00 a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 134	**Financing of United Nations Peacekeeping Operations in the Middle East**	
		(b) UNIFIL	
	Item 136	**Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor**	

	Item 137	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea**	
	Item 141	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone**	
	Item 158	**Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 127	**United Nations common system**	Report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/56/30)
		Strengthening the international civil service	Note by the Secretariat on the review of the International Civil Service Commission (A/54/483) Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the international civil service (A/55/526)
Wednesday, 21 November 10:00 a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part VIII: Common support services	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Part IX: Internal Oversight	
Thursday, 22 November		UN official holiday	
Friday, 23 November 10:00 a.m.		*To be determined*	
3:00 p.m.		*To be determined*	

Week 26 – 30 November

Monday, 26 November 10:00 a.m.	**Item 131**	**Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991**	Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on the results of the implementation of the recommendations of the Expert Group to Conduct a Review of the Effective Operation and Functioning of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/56/__) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance report for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000 (A/56/__) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the period from 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2003 (A/56/__) Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and emoluments of non-secretariat officials: Members of the International Court of Justice and Judges of the International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
		Introduction and general discussion	
	Item 132	**Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations on International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994**	Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on the results of the implementation of the recommendations of the Expert Group to Conduct a Review of the Effective Operation and Functioning of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/56/__) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance report for the period from 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2000 (A/56/__)

		Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2003 (A/56/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General to indicate whether it is possible to state the likely date or dates for completion of the mandate of the Tribunal (A/56/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the likely long-term financial obligations of the United Nations with regard to the enforcement of sentences (A/56/__)
		Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and emoluments of non-secretariat officials: Members of the International Court of Justice and Judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/56/__)
		Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
	Introduction and general discussion	
Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
	Conditions of service for judges of the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia	Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and emoluments of non-secretariat officials: Members of the International Court of Justice and Judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/56/__)
		Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/__)
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		Part XII: Estimates of income
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		Conclusion of general discussion
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Wednesday, 28 November		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 122	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**
		Functioning of UNCTAD Unit for landlocked developing countries and Small Islands developing States
Thursday, 29 November 10: a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution

3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
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Friday, 30 November 10: 00a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Consideration of draft resolution	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 124	**Pattern of conferences**	
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		Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund	Report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/56/289) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)

	Second performance report for the biennium 2000-2001	Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report for the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 including unforeseen and extraordinary expenses (A/C.5/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
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	Subvention request by UNIDIR	Note by the Secretary-General on a request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2001 (A/C.5/56/2) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
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	Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized	Report of the Secretary-General on estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)

		Utilization of the provision for special political missions	Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of the provision for special political missions under Section 3, Political Affairs (A/C.5/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
		Contingency fund	Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of the contingency fund (A/C.5/56/__) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/__)
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		Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003	
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*	
	Item 122	**Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001**	
		Administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund	
		Second performance report for the biennium 2000-2001 including unforeseen and extraordinary expenses	
Tuesday, 4 December 10:00 a.m.	**Item 123**	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003	
3:00 p.m.	**Item 123**	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**	
		Consideration of draft resolution	

Wednesday, 5 December 10:00 a.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution
Thursday, 6 December 10:00 a.m.		
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution
3:00 p.m.		*Informal consultations on:*
	Item 123	**Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003**
		Consideration of draft resolution
Friday, 7 December 10:00 a.m.		All outstanding issues
3:00 p.m.		**Conclusion of the work of the Fifth committee during the main part of the 56th session**

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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Joint Inspection Unit

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Management of buildings: practices of selected United Nations system organizations relevant to the renovation of the United Nations Headquarters

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Management of buildings: practices of selected United Nations system organizations relevant to the renovation of the United Nations Headquarters"[1] and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon,[2]

1. *Welcomes* the comprehensive and timely preparation of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit;[1]

2. *Endorses* the report of the Joint Inspection Unit[1] and requests the Secretary-General to take full account of its recommendations and findings when elaborating the capital master plan, without prejudice to the future consideration by the General Assembly of the report of the Secretary-General on the capital master plan;

3. *Decides* to revert to the consideration of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit[1] and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon[2] within the context of its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on the capital master plan requested by the General Assembly in section IV of its resolution 55/238 of 23 December 2000.

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[1] A/56/274.
[2] A/56/274/Add.1.

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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Joint Inspection Unit

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on policies and practices in the use of the services of private management consulting firms in the organizations of the United Nations system

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 55/232 of 23 December 2000 and 55/247 of 12 April 2001,

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on policies and practices in the use of the services of private management consulting firms in the organizations of the United Nations system[1] and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments as well as those of the Administrative Committee on Coordination thereon,[2]

1. *Endorses* the elements contained in paragraphs (b) and (d) of recommendation 1, and recommendations 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit;[1]

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General and participating organizations of the United Nations system, when addressing the issues raised in paragraphs (a) and (c) of recommendation 1, and recommendations 6, 7 and 8 of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit, to take fully into account the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 55/232 and 55/247 when using the services of private management consulting firms.

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[1] A/54/702.
[2] A/55/979.

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Joint Inspection Unit

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Joint Inspection Unit

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its previous resolutions on the Joint Inspection Unit, hereafter referred to as the Unit, in particular resolutions 50/233 of 7 June 1996, 54/16 of 29 October 1999 and 55/230 of 23 December 2000,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the annual report of the Unit for 2000;[1]

2. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the programme of work of the Unit for 2001 and the preliminary listing of potential reports for 2002 and beyond[2] as well as the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Unit on experience with the follow-up system on Joint Inspection Unit reports and recommendations;[3]

3. *Also takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Unit;[4]

4. *Takes note in particular* that, as noted in the preliminary listing of the potential reports for 2002 and beyond and reaffirmed by the Chairman of the Unit, the preliminary listing is of a tentative nature and does not necessarily imply that the Unit is committed to taking up these subjects;

5. *Invites* the Unit to improve the presentation of the listing of potential reports for the following year and beyond by providing information on the source, including legislative basis, objectives, problems to be addressed, duration and expected date of completion, and to present such information before the final quarter of each year;

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 34* (A/56/34 and Corr.1).
[2] A/56/84.
[3] A/56/356.
[4] A/56/135.

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6. *Requests* the executive heads of participating organizations to fully observe the time frame for submitting their comments, as called for in article 11, subparagraphs 4 (d) and (e) of the statute of the Unit;

7. *Requests* the Unit to consider including in its reports, where possible, the comments of the participating organizations on its findings and recommendations and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

8. *Stresses* the need for the Unit to place emphasis in its work on well-defined and timely items of high priority, identifying concrete managerial, administrative and programming questions aimed at providing the General Assembly and other legislative organs of participating organizations with practical and action-oriented recommendations;

9. *Stresses also* that the compliance with the provisions contained in paragraph 4 of the follow-up system on reports of the Unit,[5] endorsed by General Assembly resolution 54/16 is a responsibility of the Unit as a whole, and, in this regard, requests the Unit to fully exercise its collective wisdom in accordance with article 11, paragraph 2, of the statute;

10. *Requests* the Chairman of the Unit, in accordance with article 18 of the statute, to ensure compliance by the Unit with the provisions of its statute as well as the internal standards, guidelines and procedures as approved by the Unit;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the other participating organizations to ensure that the Unit is provided with the information requested by it in due time, in accordance with article 6.2 of the statute;

12. *Welcomes* the initial steps taken by the Unit with other external and internal oversight bodies of the United Nations system to develop interaction and intensify relations with a view to achieving better coordination among them with respect, in particular, to the oversight coverage and sharing of best practices, thus enhancing the impact of oversight activities as a whole and endeavouring to avoid duplication, and requests the Unit to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session in the context of its annual report for 2001;

13. *Requests* the executive heads of those participating organizations that have not yet done so to take the necessary steps to facilitate the consideration of and action on the follow-up system on reports of the Unit, approved by resolution 54/16 and contained in annex I of the Unit's annual report for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997,[5] and invites the legislative organs concerned to consider and act upon it;

14. *Requests* the Unit to submit, as part of its annual report, additional comments and recommendations on its experience with the follow-up system on reports of the Unit, focusing in particular on legislative actions and implementation of the approved recommendations, to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session, including measures it has taken to achieve a punctual and systematic follow-up of its recommendations as approved by the legislative organs of participating organizations;

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[5] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 34* (A/52/34), annex I.

15. *Decides* to review the current state of coordination and cooperation among the United Nations oversight bodies with a view to ensuring greater synergy and mutual complementarity in their joint efforts to improve the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations;

16. *Requests* that the Unit place more emphasis on the evaluation aspects of its work, in accordance with recommendation 63 contained in the report of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations,[6] as endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986;

17. *Underlines* that the evaluation function is envisaged in the statute of the Unit, and stresses the need for the Unit to pay special attention to the preparation of more evaluation-oriented reports;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to the executive heads of the other participating organizations for their attention.

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[6] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 49* (A/41/49).

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Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

The General Assembly,

Having considered, for the year ended 31 December 2000, the audited financial statements and the report of the Board of Auditors on voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,[1] the report of the Board on implementation of its recommendations,[2] the second report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board on the accounts of the United Nations and on the United Nations funds and programmes for the biennium ended 31 December 1999,[3] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4]

1. *Accepts* the financial report and audited financial statements and the report and audit opinion of the Board of Auditors regarding the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2000;[1]

2. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its report and the recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[4]

3. *Welcomes* the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors[3] and the report of the Board on the implementation of its recommendations;[2]

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 5E* (A/56/5/Add.5).
[2] A/56/132, annex, appendix.
[3] A/56/66 and Add.1.
[4] A/56/436.

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4. *Requests* the audited organizations to take all necessary steps to expeditiously implement the outstanding audit recommendations;

5. *Notes with concern* the qualified audit opinion on the financial statements of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and requests the audited organizations to cooperate fully with the Board of Auditors and present the requested information and documentation in a comprehensive and timely manner so that this does not lead in future to similar qualified opinion.